

**Before the State of South Carolina
Department of Insurance**

In the Matter of:

SCDOI Docket # 08-1519

Julia N. Bell
131 South Calhoun Street
Bishopville, SC 29010

ORDER REVOKING
RESIDENT PRODUCER
LICENSE #463738

This matter comes before the South Carolina Department of Insurance (the Department), upon application of David E. Belton, Esquire, Senior Associate General Counsel for the Department, requesting the revocation of Julia N. Bell, (Producer) resident producer's license #463738.

After careful review of the evidence presented the Department issues the following decision:

FINDINGS OF FACT

Producer is currently a South Carolina resident producer holding license #463738.

In the State of South Carolina, the Producer pled guilty and was convicted by the U.S. District of South Carolina of the crime of Wire Fraud (greater than \$5,000.00) effected on 5/6/08. The Producer was committed to the United States Bureau of Prisons for a term of twenty one months, after which she would be on supervised release for a term of three years and ordered to immediately pay restitution in the amount of \$143,695.73, plus any remaining amount to be paid in monthly installments of \$250.00, beginning thirty days after release from imprisonment.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Pursuant to S.C. Code §38-43-130(A)(B) (A): "The Director of Insurance or his designee may place on probation, suspend, or suspend a producer's license after ten days' notice or refuse to issue or reissue a license when it appears that a producer has been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude, has violated this title or any regulation promulgated by the department, or has willfully deceived or dealt unjustly with the citizens of this State. (B) For purposes of this section, "convicted" includes a plea of guilty or a plea of nolo contendere, and

the record of conviction, or a copy of it, certified by the clerk of court or by the judge in whose court the conviction occurred is conclusive evidence of the conviction. Because the crime of Wire Fraud, over \$5,000.00 is both a felony and of moral turpitude, the Department now moves to revoke Julia N. Bell's South Carolina resident producer's license.

THEREFORE, it is ordered that Julia N. Bell's South Carolina resident producer's license #463738 shall be revoked thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of this order, and no license issued through the State of South Carolina Department of Insurance is to be issued to her, unless Julia N. Bell requests in writing within said thirty (30) day period a public hearing before the South Carolina Administrative Law Court.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the National Association of Insurance Commissioners be immediately be notified of this order.

This South Carolina Department of Insurance administrative disciplinary order is a public record subject to the disclosure requirements of the State of South Carolina's *freedom of Information Act*, S.C. Code Ann. §§30-4-10, *et seq.* (1991 and Supp. 2007). Nothing contained within this administrative disciplinary order should be construed to limit or to deprive any person of any private right of action under the law. Nothing contained within this administrative disciplinary order should be construed to limit, in any manner, the criminal jurisdiction of any law enforcement or judicial officer. Nothing contained within this administrative disciplinary order should be construed to limit the statutory duty of the Director of Insurance, exercised either directly or through the Department of Insurance, to "report to the Attorney General or other appropriate law enforcement officials criminal violations of the law relative to the business of insurance or the provisions of this title which he considers necessary to report." S.C. Code Ann. §38-3-110(3) (Supp. 2007).



Scott H. Richardson
Director of Insurance

Dated this 21 day of August 2008.